

Comprehensive Cancer Control Program

Facts about cancer in Washington State:

- Cancer is the second leading cause of death
- About 1 out of every 4 deaths is due to cancer
- Cancer is the leading cause of death for adults aged 45-74
- Deaths due to cancer can be reduced through effective prevention, early detection, and quality cancer care

Comprehensive Cancer Control...

"An integrated and coordinated approach to reducing cancer incidence, morbidity, and mortality through prevention, early detection, treatment, rehabilitation, and palliation."

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The building blocks for comprehensive cancer control planning:

- Enhancing infrastructure
- Mobilizing support
- Utilizing data and research
- Building partnerships
- Assessing / addressing cancer burden
- Conducting evaluation

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The Washington State Department of Health Comprehensive Cancer Control Program coordinates and facilitates a statewide collaborative effort to develop, implement, and evaluate a state cancer plan. The mission of the program is to reduce cancer incidence, morbidity, and mortality. The mission is achieved by:

- **Bringing many partners together** including medical and public health professionals, voluntary organizations, community-based organizations, insurers, businesses, survivors, government agencies, academia, and advocates to develop a planned approach for solving cancer problems
- **Using data and research results** to identify priorities among the wide range of cancer issues (from prevention through survivorship and end-of-life)
- **Implementing evidence-based solutions** to ensure that current knowledge is applied in a cost-effective manner to achieve the best possible outcomes
- **Using limited resources more efficiently** by integrating and coordinating efforts to reduce duplication and improve overall capacity
- **Using limited resources more effectively** by targeting resources to the highest priorities (e.g. areas of heaviest burden, major gaps, important disparities, large potential impact of intervention, and feasibility of intervention)

The Partnership

The Washington Comprehensive Cancer Control Partnership is the group of diverse stakeholders who are working together to implement the state plan.

The Plan

The plan serves as a framework and guide for the efforts of the Partnership. The plan consists of a broad set of goals, objectives, and strategies for reducing the cancer burden in Washington.

The Process

The Department of Health is a key stakeholder in the Partnership and provides fiscal, administrative, and technical support through the Comprehensive Cancer Control Program. The Partnership applies mutually identified criteria to select the highest priorities from the plan. The Partnership coordinates efforts to generate resources and implement strategies to achieve priority goals and objectives.

The Funding

The Department of Health has a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention through June 29, 2007. Funding through the agreement supports the Partnership in efforts to implement the state plan. Additional funding through the agreement supports programs to implement plan strategies for both colorectal and prostate cancer.